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Three status inquiry letters were filed on September 3, 1999, March 20, 2000, and September 20, 2000. Please advise the undersigned of the present status of the above-identified patent application.

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